

Nelis' Best Dahlias

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# NELIS NURSERIES

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Holland, Michigan



#### Hanging Basket Begonia

### HANGING BASKET or PENDULA BEGONIAS

Plant this prolific tuberous Begonia in urns, baskets, boxes or rock gardens, for a veritable cascade of bloom. Available in rose, vellow red and salmon

	bulbs (state cole			\$1.50
5	bulbs (1 each o	f 5 col	rs)	2.00
10	bulbs (2 each o	f 5 col	rs, labeled)	3.85

# BEGONIAS

# DOUBLE TUBEROUS BEGONIAS

#### (Imported from Belgium)

These gorgeous summer flowering bulbs produce brilliant flowers which will steal the show every time, and delight you all summer until frost. They thrive best in moist soil in a shady spot. For earliest bloom, start indoors in March and April, and plant outdoors after the soil is warm. Brilliant colors and delicate shades are available: Double Camellia flowers. Copper, red, pink, sal-mon, scarlet, white and yellow. Your choice of colors.

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5	for.							\$1.50
10	for.							2.75
25	for.							6.00





Picotee Begonia





Gladiolus, Gold

## **NEW PICOTEE BEGONIA**

The Garden Thrill of a Lifetime. Each petal is beautifully bordered with richly contrasting color. Pastel background colors are high-lighted with salmon, rose, flame and coral stitching and feathering. Makes glorious corsages and table arrangements.

3 for \$1.35 10 for \$4.50



### **SWEET VIOLET** ROYAL ROBE

Deepest violet-blue. A most floriferous Violet, which makes a beautiful rounded plant about 10 to 12 inches high. The fragrant dainty flowers show very prominently on top of the foliage.

45c each; 3 for \$1.30; \$4.50 per doz.

# New Gladioli

The Best of the Imported and Domestic Varieties BEAUTY'S BLUSH. Very large florets of delicate BURMA. Deep rose, beautifully ruffled flowers...
ELIZABETH THE QUEEN. Pure cattleya lav-\$1.25 \$8.50 1.25 8.50 reader, with silvery sheen

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE. Clean white, creamy throat, ruffled florets

GOLD. Most beautiful of yellow. Bright, deep, Daffodil-yellow

JOE WAGENAAR. Deep red. Fine exhibition training ideal for cutting 1.25 8.50 1.25 8.50 1.25 8.50 variety, ideal for cutting 1.25
KING DAVID. Reddish purple, excellent form 1.25
SANS SOUCI. Tall glowing deep red. None better. 1.25
SPIC & SPAN. Tall, ruffled medium deep pink. 8.50 8.50 1.25 show winner 8.50 UHU. A first class orange smoky. Different. 1.25 8.50

## NEW GLADIOLI COLLECTION

Each Variety Labeled Separately 3 each of 10 varieties ( 30 bulbs) 6 each of 10 varieties ( 60 bulbs) \$3.00 5.75 12 each of 10 varieties (120 bulbs)

#### OUR OWN MIXTURE OF GLADS

A Superlative Mixture, containing all colors. \$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100



# Collections

We are listing here in three collections the best varieties, selected for color, form and quality. Plant early for maximum enjoyment.

#### DAHLIA COLLECTION No. 1 4 Tubers for \$2.00

ORANGE BALL. Good producer of burnt orange blooms. Beautiful Each 75c fall color.

PINK BALL. Pure baby pink blossoms. Fully double, good cut flower. Each 75c

RED BALL. Largest seller of any Dahlia grown. Fine blossoms and many Each 75c

WHITE BALL. Abundant bloomer, pure white ball type blooms. Each 75c



Lilium Rubrum

#### DAHLIA COLLECTION No. 2 4 Tubers for \$3.00

4-STAR YELLOW. A midseason golden yellow, very full. Free bloomer. Each \$1.00

OGDEN REID. Huge pink blend blooms that will out-blossom and out-show any other Dablia in this color class.

PURPLE VELVET. Lovely royal purple

blooms produced in quantity on a low bush. Outstanding. Each \$1.00 STOPLIGHT. New, brilliant red cactus type Dahlia that just cover the bush with blooms. Each \$1.00

#### DAHLIA COLLECTION No. 3 4 Tubers for \$5.00

CROYDON MASTERPIECE. Finest Dahlia ever grown. More flowers, more size, and more beauty. Rich salmon Each \$1.50

DOROTHY TOOKER. Early and constant bloomer, white with a pink cast in center of blooms. Each \$1.50

in center of blooms. Each \$1.50

RUBELITE. Outstanding Dahlia of reddish velvet, with a silver cast. Blooms
are extra large. Each \$1.50

TIDAL WAVE. One of the most acclaimed and publicized Dahlias of today,
with flowers huge pure yellow.

Fach \$1.50

Each \$1.50

## BLAZE WITH EVERY \$5.00 DAHLIA ORDER

Here is the Dahlia as Dahlias grow. Blooms are a beau-tiful blend of red that changes during season. Always striking and breath-tak

# Hardy Garden LILIES

(For Immediate Shipment)

LILIUM REGALE, Regals give your garden a final touch of beauty. A wonderful new and hardy Lily, native of Northern China, and very easily grown. The flowers are ivory-white, trumpet-shaped, with soft yellow throat. Grows 4 to 5 feet tall. Very fragrant. Blooms in July.

3 for \$1.50 \$5.00 per doz.

LILIUM RUBRUM. Rich ruby-carmine on white background, with elegantly curved petals. Perfect in the garden, ideal for cutting, long-lasting for corsages.

3 for \$1.75 \$6.75 per doz.

## IRIS SHILKA (Vesper Iris)

If planted in spring will bloom this summer. The graceful filigree of the branches of these Vesper Iris is studded with from 100 to 200 jewel-like flowers, truly a mammoth bouquet. The delicately colored blossoms, which at a distance resemble a multiude of gorgeous butterflies at rest, vary in color, including such hues as translucent lavender with markings of mahogany, lemon, copper and orange-brown. Easy to grow, they bloom for a month during July and August, when flowers are scarce. Vesper Iris resist both severe cold and intense heat with impunity. Be the first in your locality to grow this unique Iris.

\$1.95 per 5 \$3.50 per 10



Tuberose

**ACHIMENES** 

Available in a complete

Available in a complete mixture of colors, from white through pink, red, purple and blue, these interesting plants resemble the Gloxinia and require about the same culture as Gloxinias and African Violets. Plant in spring in a temperature of not less than 75 degrees, I inch deep in rich dirt. The bulbs are small, but very productive, produc

but very productive, produc-ing nice plants up to 15 inches high. When the seather has warmed up, they may be moved to flower

boxes or hanging baskets. Never let them dry out. Prefer north or east light. Achimenes are covered with flowers for 6 months. Plant

or 6 bulbs in one pot for

## **TUBEROSE**

DOUBLE PEARL

Imported Strain

Delightfully fragrant, the Tuberose is regaining its place as a garden favorite. Plant in full sun after the soil is warm. For early bloom, start tubers indoors in pots, place in a sunny room. Dig before frost and store at 70° during winter. Height 3 to 4 feet.

6 for \$1.25 \$2.35 per doz.



# Pannas For Summer Beds

Cannas, in brilliant shades with majestic foliage, are invaluable for a lovely show in your garden or a special bed in the lawn. The various shades of green or bronze foliage always provide an exotic effect. Start the roots early, as Cannas thrive best in midsummer heat. They bloom freely until late fall. Water during dry spells. Store during winter per with Dublica. as with Dahlias.

CITY OF PORTLAND. Rosy pink, inxuriant.		
growth green foliage	0.80	52.75
KING HUMBERT. Orange-scarlet, bronze leaf.		
4 feet	.80	2.75
THE PRESIDENT. Enormous scarlet flowers,	-20	2.75
green foliage, 4½ feet	.080	2.73
WYOMING. Lovely orange flowers with bronze	.80	2.75
foliage. 31/2 feet		4.73
YELLOW KING HUMBERT. Yellow flowers with crimson dots. 4½ feet.	.80	2.75
with crimson dots. 1/2 rect		
COLLECTION OF CANNAS		\$1.50

#### 1 each of 5 Cannas ( 5 plants, unlabeled) 3 each of 5 Cannas (15 plants, labeled) 4.00

Amaryllis

# **AMARYLLIS**

Indoor Blooming-Giant Imported Dutch Amaryllis

The newest, largest and choicest, true to color varie ties. These bulbs will faithfully bloom again each year for many years A few weeks after planting they bloom and keep their fuxuriant foliage until frost. Full instructions sent with-each order. Each bulb will produce one or two flower stalks, bearing from 4 to 8 flowers each. The flowers are from 8 to 10 inches across. Select your

Scarlet-red Orange Dark Red Salmon Prices of above 4 colors: \$3.45 each; 3 for \$9.50. White Rose Striped Prices of above 3 colors: \$3.95 each; 3 for \$11.00.



12 for

Mixed only \$ 1.50 25 for 2.05 10.00 100 for





AECHMEA FOSTER'S FAVORITE Upright rosette with strikingly lacquered leaves of green, under side wine-red. Pendent spike of coral red pear-shaped berries lasts for months.



AECHMEA ORLANDIANA
Showy rosette of yellow-green leaves with bizarre chocolate cross-banding and heavy black spines. Arching orange flower spike.
From 3-in. pots, \$4.00 each



CALATHEA MAKOYANA "Peacock Plant"

Stunningly beautiful plant with oval leaves of pale green interestingly marked with darker green. Leaves prom 3-in. pot, \$3.75 each From 3-in. pot, \$3.75 each



PHILODENDRON WENDLANDII



PHILODENDRON IMBE

This climber is ideal for totem poles, with glossy green leaves, reddish underneath.

From 3-in. pots, \$1.35 each



PHILODENDRON SELLOUM with a rich green leaf that is extremely ornamental. tree stages of growth. Juvenile leaves merely lobed, but

Jant grows.
Out of 24-in. pots, \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.00
Out of 5-in. pots, \$3.75 each
Large plant in tin container, shipped Express collect f.o.b. Florida, \$11.00 each; 2 in one container, \$19.50

# MODERN NELIS EXOTICS

Beautify Your Home With Year Round Indoor Plants

Indoor ornamentals of exotic origin. All are selected for easy growing and complete instructions for planting and care accompany each variety.



AECHMEA MARMORATA (Grecion Vose)



SEERSUCKER (Geogenanthus Undatis) green banded pale gray; wine-red underneath. Very showy. From 2½-in. pot, \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.75



Very ornamental, with showy, arrowshaped white veins. ped green leaves and silver-From 3-in. pot, \$3.00 each



COCHLIOSTEMA Spreading lance-shaped, Each \$1.25

COLLECTION of CRYPTANTHUS 1 each of 5 kinds \$7.50







NEW REX BEGONIAS

King of the Begonia family, superb for indoor growing.
Leaf colors are assorted, mottled light and dark green, some overlaid with silver, burnished metallic shades, stippled with lavender and burgundy. Mixed only, every one a beauty!

\$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.00



We offer a fine potting mix-ture which may be used for any of these house plants, with proper proportions of peat, per-lite soil-aid, shavings and acid fertilizer. Mix with an equal amount of good garden soil. Quart 50c

POTTING MIXTURE



BROMELIAD NEOREGELIA MARMORATA
(Living Flower Vase)

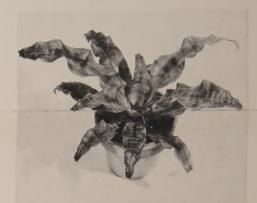
Bold rosette with light olive green stiff leaves blotched maroon and with red tips, lavender tinted flower deep in center cup.

Each \$2.75





CRYPTANTHUS Fosterionus, very flat, coppery green to purplish brown, tan zebra
Each \$2.25



CRYPTANTHUS Osyanthus
Irregular rosette of warm shades of green, tinted pink to coppery red in center of rosette.

Each \$1.50



CRYPTANTHUS Hybrid



Each \$1.50

CRYPTANTHUS Bivattatus (Roseus Pictus)
Flattened small, star-like rosette of satiny olive-green with two pale
bands, overcase salmon-rose, turning coppery, red in strong light. Finely
toothed edge.



CRYPTANTHUS Bromelioides Tri-color
Fleshy fresh green leaves edged and striped ivory-white, margins and base tinted carmine-rose.

Each \$2.00



BROMELIAD NEOREGELIA SPECTABILIS
(Fingernoil Plant)

Red-tipped olive-green leaves, gray crossbands beneath; blue flowers in low cushion. May be used as a vase, because it holds water in its center cone.

Each \$2.75

HOLLAND, MICHIGAN



Cushion Mum, Autumn Song

# Cushion Mums

Prolific, early blooming, low-growing Mums! In full bloom in September, continuing until frost. Winter hardy with a little straw protection.

	Per 3	Doz
AUTUMN SONG. Deep glowing bright red	\$1.00	\$3.50
COQUETTE. Saucy pink	1.00	3.50
DIVINITY. Snow-white	1.00	3.50
REFLECTION. Rosy lavender	1.00	3.50
SILETZ. Bright yellow	1.00	3.50
W. P. SNYDER. Apricot-bronze	1.00	3.50

#### CUSHION MUM COLLECTION

l each of 6 listed (6 plants, unlabeled) \$1.95

3 each of 6 listed (18 plants, labeled) \$5.00

## GIANT SHASTA DAISY NOVELTIES

Finest Improved Daisy Strains Available Today.

**AGLAYA.** (Fringed double.) This splendid grower, with large, double white flowers, is perfectly hardy. Lovely blossoms with fringed petals, and after the main early crop of blooms, it continues to produce flowers practically throughout the entire season.

60c each; 3 for \$1.50; \$5.00 per doz.

**EDGEBROOK GIANT.** (Single.) Giant single blossoms with golden yellow center. Flowers measure up to 6 inches across, on plants 3 feet tall, free blooming until frost.

60c each; 3 for \$1.50; \$5.00 per doz.

**NEW HORACE REED.** A Shasta of an entirely different flower structure, fully double, blossom purest white. An outstanding novelty.

\$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.75; \$11.00 per doz.

**WIRRAL'S SUPREME.** New double, pure white. Aster-like flowers. A giant Esther Reed, at least twice as large, on tall straight stems. Prolific bloomer.

60c each; 3 for \$1.50; \$5.00 per doz.

#### SHASTA DAISY COLLECTION

1 each of 4 varieties \$2.65 (4 plants, unlabeled)

2 each of 4 varieties (8 plants, labeled) \$5.00



Shasta Daisy, Wirral's Supreme